

Taco John's Selects Digi Smart Solutions to Provide Best-in-Class Food Safety and Operations Management

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Leading Mexican Franchise Will Offer Digi Smart Solutions to its 400 Locations

MINNETONKA, Minn., Dec. 13, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Digi International®, (NASDAQ: DGII) (<u>www.digi.com</u>), a leading global provider of Internet of Things (IoT) products and services, today announced that Taco John's has agreed to offer Digi's <u>task management and food temperature monitoring</u> solution to their entire chain of restaurants throughout the United States.



With a history stretching back to 1969, today Taco John's operates nearly 400 corporate-owned and franchised quick-service restaurants in 23 states, making it one of the largest Mexican quick-service restaurant brands in America.

With this agreement, Taco John's can implement Digi's advanced technology-supported service to ensure that Taco John's restaurants deliver the highest levels of food quality and safety to their customers. Digi's state-of-the-art solution automates food temperature monitoring and task logging to greatly simplify the effort for employees while ensuring public health compliance.

From an operational standpoint Taco John's locations can leverage Digi to modernize the manual red book log of paper checklists so managers can be more effective and efficient, allowing them to focus more of their time on food quality and the guest experience.

"A key goal of our technology modernization initiative is to provide the best tools available throughout all locations to maximize customer satisfaction and maintain our commitment to provide safe, healthy food to all communities," said Rocky Clark, vice president of operations, Taco John's International, Inc. "There were many choices, but Digi's was clear because of its ability to provide an immediate impact."

"Food safety is of paramount importance to any restaurant chain, and to have Taco John's trust our technology further validates it as a proven solution," said Kevin C. Riley, chief operating officer, Digi International. "Digi Smart Solutions will help ease the workload of Taco John's restaurant managers and provide them further operational insight across its chain of restaurants."

Digi Smart Solutions address the day-to-day issues of maintaining product quality and safety while lowering costs and achieving overarching goals of higher customer satisfaction and brand reputation with solutions specifically optimized for foodservice, transportation and logistics, and healthcare and pharmacy. Designed to deliver real-time insights, Digi Smart Solutions provides an efficient subscription-based service that continuously and wirelessly monitors task management activities and the temperature of perishable, high-value goods. Digi Smart Solutions provides centralized oversight of food safety processes, improves operational efficiencies, and provides chain of custody verification.

Digi Smart Solutions are comprised of easy-to-install hand-held probes, wireless sensors, gateways and easy-to-use software that allows temperature data and tasks to be monitored, logged, and retrieved. Additionally, the solutions offer an open API for integration into back-office systems. Digi Smart Solutions are available in a variety of subscription-based models for HACCP and NIST environments, and requires no capital expense. Hardware and software are included as part of the subscription with information hosted on servers managed by Digi.

For more information please visit https://www.digi.com/pr/tacojohns.

About Taco John's

Taco John's operates and franchises nearly 400 quick-service restaurants in 23 states. Privately owned, the business opened its first restaurant in 1969 in Cheyenne, WY. Taco John's prides itself on serving generous portions, menu items prepared fresh to your order, high quality ingredients and special recipes, seasonings and sauces.

About Digi International

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